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Two articles appearing in Krasnaya Zvezda, 30 September 1954, under the heading "White Sea Military District" suggest the possibility that the military district's boundaries now encompass the city of Arkhangel'sk, and that the Arkhangel'sk Military District no longer exists. The Arkhangel'sk Military District has not been mentioned in the Soviet press in well over a year, and a new district, the Northern Military District, has received repeated mention in past months

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The first article stated that Polar Aviation planes regularly fly the run, Moscow-Arkhangel'sk-North Pole, and that troops of the White Sea Military District have struck up friendships with the fliers and scientists on their way to the drifting stations, North Pole 3 and North Pole 4. One of the fliers wrote an article for the district's newspaper, and a biologist made a speech before troops of the district on the work of polar microbiologists.

The second article, discussing the abundance of wild life along the shores of the White Sea and Northern Dvina River, mentioned the fact that officers from the White Sea Military District, aided by the facilities of the district's military sportsmen's base, make frequent hunts in that area on Saturday evenings and on holidays.

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